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The TV-TS Tapestry

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MONTHLY REPORT Our party on June 28 was an experiment. It was the first time we have tried to co-sponsor a social function with other groups (Tiffany, Mayflower and Hartford). The result was the best party we have ever had. We had perhaps 75 to 100 guests and a marvelous mix of people. It was that mixture that made the party: TVs, TSs, straights, gays, bondage people, shy people, newcomers, old timers, wives, girlfriends, boyfriends, friends, all respecting each other's preferences, and all enjoying each other's company. There were good feelings for all, happiness, and plenty of laughter, and that's the way it should be.

For helping make the party so successful everyone at the party should be thanked; Elaine, Judy, Kaythy, Billy, DeeDee and Vi (our good will ambassadors from Hartford), Debbie, Delores, Vanessa, Kay, Jackie, Angela (you looked super), Martin, Paula, Karen, Jenny, Theresa, Ann, Lorina, Kim, Rachia, Barbara, Cindy, Regina, Christie (because you're having too good a time is no excuse for not taking pictures), Diane, Brie, Harry, Ronnie, Liz, et al. However, special thanks go to Kay for coordinating Mayflower, Patsy Marie for coordinating Hartford, Diane for coordinating the food, and Ron our bartender and waiter. The greatest amount of thanks go to Tony and Barclay for their extra effort before, during and after the party, and to Barclay for the use of his house. To Tony and Barclay: I want to say we could not have had our party at a nicer location, or with nicer people. Again, thank you.

After all the anxieties and confusion before the party, only one question remains. When are we going to do it again?

As usual, there was more to June than just a party. Carolyn made her usual quota of visits to socialize and show off the newest additions to her inventory. (Carolyn, when you come, don't bring your clothes rapped in sheets. The bundles look like corpses, and carrying dead bodies in and out of here looks funny.)

June 7 Mary Kay Demonstration. Betty (the demonstrator), Brie (enjoying Frances), and Frances (enjoying herself).

On June 7 Betty (our lovely Mary Kay lady) came and gave us a cosmetic and skin care demonstration. Frances, our sporty old gal from Maine, was with us for the weekend, and as usual she had more fun than anybody.

On June 24, Carol Steinman (Director of Gender Identity Service) and two members of her staff (Terry and Hilde) visited Tiffany. It was supposed to be a casual unstructured affair where we could all get together, get

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to know each other and each other's projects, and perhaps even socialize a little. That was a nice idea, but we ran out of time and damned if their visit didn't turn into some kind of a dreaded group session. Everyone was in a neat circle, being disgustingly polite, raising their hands to speak, taking turns, etc. It may all be very proper and very efficientc, but it's a tough way to get to know anyone. What we would really like is to have these three lovely people come back for another visit.

LOVE, Merissa Sherrill Lynn

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THE NATURE OF MAYFLOWER AND TIFFANY

by Merissa Sherrill Lynn

In the past there has been so much misunderstanding of both Tiffany and Mayflower, often leading to downright hard feelings, that it is time we cleared the air.

Mayflower has been accused of being a club for sex, bondage and swingers. IT IS NOT!! Tiffany has been accused of being snobbish and super straight. IT IS NOT!!

Tiffany is a legal non-profit corporation with the stated objective of being of actual and effective service to the TV/TS community. That means Tiffany must be growth oriented, service oriented, and provide facilities and activities that are secure and free of fear and of what some persons may consider sexual or "far out" behavior. In order to develop and retain the trust and confidence of old, new, and potential members and supporters, Tiffany must maintain an image of integrity, and remain strictly on the up and up. Tiffany is <u>not</u> concerned with the sexual preferences of its members and guests. Tiffany <u>is</u> concerned that everyone behave themselves, and pro-

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MISC.

Carolyn would like to pass on a lesson from experience:

If you want to get pinched for speeding without actually speeding, drive a fast looking car.

***** SPECIAL NEWS BULLETIN *****

HARTFORD - DOA is now defunct. According to usually reliable sources, Tweedle Dee Dumm, the DOA's beloved president, is being called before a select Congressional Committee that is investigating the effects of oral lovemaking as it affects the work ethic.

We will give further reports as information becomes available.

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tect the security and the peace of mind of everyone, members and guests alike.

Mayflower is a different situation than Tiffany. Like Tiffany, Mayflower does not want dangerous or irresponsible people. Also like Tiffany, anyone is welcome to join Mayflower so long as they understand the nature of the organization, are willing to live up to their responsibilities, and will comply with the code of conduct. Unlike Tiffany, Mayflower has no charter, no pubblications, and is not growth or service oriented.

MERISSA SHERRILL LYNN
Executive Secretary
Tiffany Club

Mayflower can best be described not so much as a club, but as a group of friends that emphasize respect for other people's preferences. Mayflower therefore can afford to be far more liberal, and far more tolerant of alternative forms of behavior than Tiffany could ever be. If a person is sexually oriented and wants to get it on once in a while, that's OK. If a person is interested in bondage and wants to enjoy fun and games once in a while, that's OK too. Again, Mayflower is not a TV Swinger's club, it is a club that emphasizes friendship, and respect for other people's preferences.

KAY C.
Director
Mayflower Society

Although there are considerable differences between Tiffany and Mayflower, the two groups have one glaring quality in common - - - nice people.

As we travel down life's highway,
One thing will prevail.
That, the female of the species
Is more bedly than the male.

MORE POETRY by Dee Bee

Now we lay us down to sleep.
I pray the Lord my hands wont creep.
But, if they do and you awake
Don't interrupt, for Heaven's sake.

A TV I know, (she's divine)
Has leanings exactly like mine
Good heavens above
The way we make love
In bed al la Route 69

FINAL REPORT OF
THE DELTA OMEGA ALPHA GROUP ***DOA

It is with deep regret that I must notify all members that the DOA has closed it's books. Two things have led up to this. First, Nan E. Ghote, a dissatisfied member, tipped off the fuzz to our last meeting place, telling them that we were all junkies. We were raided, but the only needles found were in the sewing kits of our members present. However, in order to hassle us, we were all taken in and booked under an ancient law charging us with "MOPERY, DOPERY AND ATTEMPT TO GAWK." This we found out was for "Exposing oneself in the nude to a blind woman." Only the fact that one of our members was the brother of the Chief of Police got us off.

Secondly, in a burst of enthusiasm, I instituted a plan whereby I would accept collect phone calls from anyone wishing to know more about the club. I received more than six thousand phone calls from all over the world. I owe my telephone company $11,240.62, and I don't even have the proverbial pot. My plea for assistance from other clubs was made all the more remarkable by their failure to respond.

I bid you all a tearful farewell but, rest assured that the DOA WILL ARISE AGAIN.

Fraternally,

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Dead on Arrival Tweedle Dee Dumm, Pres.

The Pres. of DOA
Tweedle Dee Dumm (that's an alias if there ever was one)

- COMING EVENTS -

TIFFANY CLUB 617-891-8022

OPEN MEETINGS 7-11pm Tues. and Sat. Quiet and relaxed evenings among friends. Help with make-up and comportment upon request. BYOB BYOF FEES: Guests $6 per visit, Special members $5 per visit, Guest members, General members and Keyholders, no charge.

SUMMER EVENTS Summer is usually our lax period, so no major events are scheduled. We are however planning our usual assortment of unscheduled guests, and have tentative plans for a Sunday afternoon Bar-B-Q (hopefully Carol Houston and her troupe will be able to attend), and a private showing of the movie Outrageous.

PARTY September 20 or 27 (definite plans have yet to be worked out). This will be our end of the summer bash, and will probably follow the same format as our June party, which was so successful.

THE KAY MAYFLOWER SOCIETY 617-254-7389 ask for Kay

OPEN MEETINGS Every Wednesday from 7 to 11pm

PARTY Last Saturday of every month

COMING EVENTS CONT.

HARTFORD TVIC Meetings are normally scheduled for every second Saturday. However, since the destruction of TVIC's facilities, meetings are scheduled when locations can be found. For information contact: Patsy Marie Pichon, Box 180, West Hartford, Ct. 06107

XX CLUB OF HARTFORD Transsexual support. Meetings every second Saturday. For information contact: Rev. Clinton R. Jones, George W. Henry Foundation, 45 Church St., Hartford, Ct. 06103

JOYCE DEWHURST TV parties in the Queens NY area. For information contact: Joyce Dewhurst, Box 1105, Woodside , NY 11377 212-545-4073

CASEY TV parties in the mid-Long Island NY area. For information Contact: Casey, Box 708, N. Bellmore, NY 11710 516-584-7736

ALBANY TVIC Meetings every third Saturday. For information contact: William Thordsen, 1104 Broadway, Albany NY 12200
FUTURE PARTY DATES Sept. 20th, Oct. 18th (to be held in the Rochester area), Nov. 15th (to be held in the Boston area), and the Christmas party in Albany on Dec. 20th.

OUTREACH INSTITUTE Box 368 Kenmore Sta., Boston Ma. 02215 617-277-3454
FALL FANTASIA FAIR Friday October 17 through Sunday October 26. Stay for all or part of the nine days, or just a weekend. FF is perhaps the finest TV function in the world. Applications are available through Outreach and the Tiffany Club.

MIDWEST SUMMER GALA August 15-17, 1980 (****see notice in the Bulletin Board.) For information and reservations contact: R. Hess, 431 Barry, Chicago Ill. 60657 Reservations must be in by Aug. 10, so hurry.

SHANGRI LA Annual five day springtime TV event held in Gulfport, Miss. For information contact: Nancy Watson, Box 18202, Irvine Ca. 92664

DREAM Annual five day early fall TV event held near Seattle, Wash. This year's event will be held Sept. 20-24. For information contact: DREAM, Box 58, 507 3rd Ave., Seattle Wash. 98104

TRI SIGMA New Orleans convention starting Monday, Sept. 22, and ending Sunday Sept. 28. For members of Tri Sigma only. For information contact: Carol Beecroft, Box 194, Tulare, Ca. 93275

GREEN APPLE LOUNGE Rt 1, Peabody Ma. 617-535-9840 Featuring New England's finest femal impersonators 7 nights a week, 2 shows nightly. Karl Houston MC

- BULLETIN BOARD -

Tiffany business meetings 8pm on the 4th thursday of every month. All General and Keyholder members are encouraged to attend.

PRIVATE TV CONSULTANTS

in the North Shore area. Ladies will help you with dressing, wigs, make-up, etc. For information and appointment call days 245-9737, and evenings 438-7350.

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SEEKING CONTACTS

STEPHANIE R. New General member of Tiffany from Southern Maine. I am a slender SWM, 6', 27, TV. Am attractive, and can pass well. I enjoy art, photography and the outdoors, and I enjoy going out en femme. I'm seeking correspondance and friendship with TVs and females, and I can travel. Write: Stephanie R., c/o Tiffany, box 426, N. Hampton, NH, 03862

REFLECTIONS

UNISEX SALON
559 High Street, Dedham
326-9766

Appointment or Walk-In

Ask for Sheila

SEEKING CONTACTS

JANET B. New General member of Tiffany. I am a SWM, 29, 6', 185 good looking TV! (So I'm told.) Not exactly new to the TV scene, but <u>always</u> anxious to meet people and make new understanding friends who enjoy dressing as much as I do! Write: Janet B., c/o Tiffany, Box 426, N. Hampton, NH 03862
(Am from the Fall River Mass. area.)

MIDWEST SUMMER GALA

AUGUST 15 - 17, 1980

Enjoy a wonderful weekend in the Midwest! The weekend is in Chicago, and the program includes two nights in a delux hotel, a cocktail party, boutique shopping, hairstyling, make-up, brunch, dinner, a show at the Baton, and an evening at The Factory: ALL FOR ONLY $<u>75.00</u>

Send $25.00 (check or money order) deposit to :
R. Hess
431 Barry
Chicago, Ill. 60657

Reservations must be in by Aug. 10.
For further information call:
SHARON 312-472-4518

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GREEN APPLE

CHANGE OF POLICY. Closing time is now 1 AM, and the first show now begins at 9:10. There is now a cover charge of $2.00 at all times. Drinks are still cheaper during the week than on weekends.

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CHANG D. KIM
See Eleanor

CHRISTIE LEA: Christie will be acting as Tiffany's liaison in the R.I. and Fall River area. It is her job to meet with people, escort them to Tiffany, and to help coordinate any activities Tiffany may have in her area. Contact: Christie Lea, 47 Hall Ave., Newport R.I. 02840 401-847-3029

- FORUM -

A WAY
by
Merissa Sherrill Lynn

The point of the article in last month's Forum, 'Femininity and Nature', was that in order to understand and appreciate Nature, or to understand and appreciate yourself, you must do so with your soul and not your intellect. Feel, don't think. This month's contribution, 'A Way', is a continuation of that line of thought.

If you are a transvestite, the following passage is an example of how you may use a fundamental part of your self (your femininity), a man made object (a gown), and a natural object (a rose), to develop a greater appreciation for your self and your being, and a greater sense of oneness with yourself and Nature:

> Find your softest gown and rest it on the bed. Find the prettiest rose and lay it gently beside your gown. Prepare your body and your mind with a long sensual bath. Think nothing, just feel. Be calm. . . relax! Clean your body of hair. Smooth your body with oil. Let the temperate nurturing water massage away your masculinity so you are warm, you are weak, you are feminine. Allow your femininity to be, without thought, without judgment. Feel your

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femininity , feel it while you carefully curle your hair, apply your make-up, and slip your pretty feet into your satin slippers. Feel it while you ever so slowly slip into your gown. Let your gown caress you, kiss you, and touch every feminine fiber of your existence. Let no thought disturb your experience as your gown creates a feminine aura that dominates you, controls you, and becomes you. Raise your rose to your cheek and with all the courage you possess, release your senses. Touch the rose, not with your hand, not with your cheek, but with your soul. Feel your legs, sheathed in silk, grow weak. Feel your joy swell and tears well in your eyes as your spirit flows from you to the rose. You are becoming the rose, you are the rose, the rose is you. You are experiencing the joy of being one with your femininity, one with your self, one with the rose, and Nature. You are experiencing the joy of being. There is no greater reward.

A sense of soft gentle beauty,
A sense of love and pride.
A sense of explosive exaltation,
The euphoria of the Mystics.
A glorious sense of being
that transcends the Now,
And becomes forever.
A sense of peace, of truth,
Of the wisdom that I AM!